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SUBJECT: LINK BETWEEN G-77 AND CIEC GROUP OF 19

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1. WE DID NOT GAIN IMPRESSION THAT LINK BETWEEN G-77 AND CIEC 19 IS INTENDED TO BE QUITE AS FORMAL AS THAT SUGGESTED BY REFTELS. COORDINATING COMMITTEE APPEARS TO BE LIAISON GROUP TO BE ESTABLISHED IN GENEVA BY THE G-77. THERE IS QUOTED BELOW THE OPERATIVE PORTION OF THE TEXT OF DOCUMENT 77/MM(III)/30 OF FEBRUARY 6 WHICH BEARS ON THIS SUBJECT. DEPARTMENT AND GENEVA WILL ALSO HAVE NOTED TEXT OF DECISION 4 OF FINAL ACT (GENEVA 1177).

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2. EXCERPT FROM TEXT OF 77/MM(III)/30-STATEMENT BY
HON. MANUEL COLLANTES:

CONCERNED AT THE SUGGESTION OF SOME PARTICIPANTS IN THE
CURRENT THIRD MINISTERIAL MEETING OF THE GROUP 77, THE
MALACANANG TALKS WERE PROMPTED BY THE RESOLUTION APPROVED
IN THE ASIAN GROUP MEETING IN DJAKARTA FROM 13 TO 21
JANUARY 1976, SUGGESTING CO-ORDINATION BETWEEN THE GROUP OF
19 AT THE CONFERENCE ON INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC CO-OPERATION
AND THE GROUP OF 77 AS A WHOLE.

THE MEETING WAS ALSO HELD IN RESPONSE TO THE MESSAGE
OF PRESIDENT HOUARI BOUMEDIENE OF ALGERIA TO THE THIRD
MINISTERIAL MEETING OF THE GROUP OF 77 WHICH STATED "THAT
THE GROUP OF 19 DEVELOPING COUNTRIES PARTICIPATING IN THE
CONFERENCE OF INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC CO-OPERATION MUST
RECEIVE FROM THE GROUP OF 77 AND, IN PARTICULAR, FROM ITS
THIRD MINISTERIAL MEETING, GUIDANCE, INSTRUCTIONS AND
SUPPORT TO ENABLE IT TO DEFEND WITH THE GREATEST POSSIBLE
STRENGTH AND DETERMINATION THE INTERESTS OF OUR PEOPLES
AND, ABOVE ALL, TO CROWN WITH SUCCESS THE HISTORIC CALL
FOR A NEW WORLD ORDER". IT IS ALSO IN LINE WITH THE
PRINCIPLE OF "COLLECTIVE SELF-RELIANCE" ELABORATED IN
OPENING DAY OF THE MINISTERIAL MEETING.

CONSENSUS WAS REACHED AT THE MALACANANG MEETING
THAT THE MANILA DECLARATION AND THE DOCUMENTS WHICH WILL
EMANATE FROM THE THIRD MINISTERIAL MEETING SHOULD SERVE
AS THE GUIDELINES OF THE GROUP OF 19 AND ALL MEMBERS
OF THE GROUP OF 77, IN ALL FORUMS, WITHIN AND WITHOUT
THE UNITED NATIONS, WHERE THE PROBLEMS OF TRADE, DEVELOP-
MENT AND RELATED MATTERS ARE DISCUSSED.

THERE WAS ALSO CONSENSUS THAT THERE SHOULD BE A
LINKAGE BETWEEN THE GROUP OF 19 AND THE GROUP OF 77,
WITH DR. MANUEL PEREZ-GUERRERO OF VENEZUELA AS
CO-ORDINATOR. AS SUCH, DR. PEREZ-GUERRERO, WHO IS
CO-CHAIRMAN FOR THE GROUP OF 19 IN THE PARIS CONFERENCE,
WILL REPORT TO THE REGIONAL GROUP LEADERS IN GENEVA AND
NEW YORK WHO, IN TURN, ARE TO REPORT TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE
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GROUP OF 77. DR. PEREZ-GUERRERO WILL COLLATE THE
REACTIONS OF THE GROUP OF 77 IN ORDER TO ENSURE CONTINUING
ACTION.

END QUOTE

3. WITH RESPECT PARAGRAPH 3 GENEVA 1241, WE HAVE NO
SPECIFIC INFORMATION THAT WOULD CORROBORATE THREE INFORMAL

POINTS OF AGREEMENT, ALTHOUGH THEY ARE CERTAINLY IN KEEPING WITH NERVOUSNESS WE TECTED WITH RESPECT TO POSSIBILITY OF CIEC AND 19 USURPING ROLE OF UNCTAD AND G-77. WE HAVE ALSO BEEN UNABLE TO LOCATE AS YET TEXT OF GUERRERO SPEECH AMONG MASS OF DOCUMENTS WE ACCUMMULATED. FINALLY, WE NOTE IN PARTICULAR REFERENCE TO ONE-YEAR TERM FOR CIEC DIALOGUE. THIS IS FIRST WE HAVE HEARD OF THIS, AND OTHER OBSERVERS IN ACCOUNTS WE RECEIVED (SEE PARTICULAR MANILA 2062) DO NOT APPEAR TO HAVE FOCUSSED ON THIS POINT. WE WILL DO OUR BEST TO FOLLOW THIS UP.

4. FINALLY, WITH RESPECT TO THE MANILA DECLARATION AND PROGRAM OF ACTION AS GUIDELINES FOR GROUP OF 19, AS WE HAVE NOTED SEPTTEL, THESE FINAL DOCUMENTS PAPER OVER A NUMBER OF FUNDAMENTAL DIFFERENCES, PARTICULARLY IN AREA OF COMMODITIES. IN ARE OF FINANCE, WHERE UNDERLYING CONSENSUS WAS THAT JAMAICA MEETING HAD DEPRIVED THIS ISSUE OF IMMEDIATE URGENCY, BETTER-OFF LDC'S NEVERTHELESS DID NOT FEEL IN POSITION TO DEPRIVE LEAST DEVELOPED OF CHANCE TO GET MORE. THUS, FOR EXAMPE, ACTION PROGRAM AT ONE POINT STATES THAT, "INTRODUCTION BY DC'S OF DEVELOPMENT TAX...TO AVOID DICONTINUITY IN APPRO-PRIATIONS BY LEGISLATURES...COULD BE CONSIDERED". WE ARE TOLD THAT IT IS AGREED BY ALL BUT MOST EXTREME THAT THIS IS NON STARTER, BUT NO DELEGATION MOVED TO DROP THE LANGUAGE. AS GUIDANCE FOR 19, FINAL DOCUMANTS THEREFORE APPEAR CONSIDERABLY LESS THAN PRECISE.
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